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Docket No.: 43605-00032USC1  
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In re Patent Application of:  
Reiner Ludwig, et al.

Application No.: 10/644473

Art Unit: N/A

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For: COMMUNICATION DEVICE AND METHOD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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